

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	Beat Krattiger, <i>et al.</i>
Application No. 10/694,577	Filing Date: October 27, 2003
Title of Application:	Optical Instrument, in Particular an Endoscope, Having an Interchangeable Head
Confirmation No. 3546	Art Unit: 3739
Examiner	John P. Leubecker

Commissioner for Patents  
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**Response to Official Action**

In response to the Official Action dated **January 9, 2008**, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

Enclosed herewith is a Request for a one month extension of time to respond to the afore-mentioned outstanding Office Action and the appropriate fee. Applicant believes that no other fee is due in connection with the filing of this Amendment. However, if any other fee is due please charge Deposit Account No. 19-4516.

A Listing of All Claims Including Current Amendments begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.